[Mr. A. Hoogewerf.]

MR. M. R. MADHAVA VARIAR (*Chengannur* cum *Pattanamtitta*): What is the kind of enquiry made by the Government?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): Two newspaper articles appeared alleging that local salt supplied in Quilon was of inferior quality.

PRESIDENT: That is not the question. Mr. Madhava Variar wants to know what is the kind of enquiry made by the Government with regard to the unfitness of the salt transported.

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): Yes, Sir, I am answering that question. Two articles appeared in the *Malayali*. The Excise Commissioner sent cuttings of those articles to the Assistant Excise Commissioner for report. Mr. G. Nilakantan, the Assistant Excise Commissioner, made an enquiry and reported that the allegation was unfounded, and there the matter ended.

MR. M. R. MADHAVA VARIAR (*Chengannur* cum *Pattanamtitta*): May I know whether the Government made any enquiry direct?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The Government did not make any enquiry; only the Excise Commissioner did.

Salt Manufacture in Travancore.

24. MR. A. HOOGEWERF (*Nominated*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the quantity of salt manufactured in South Travancore during the last ten years, giving the figures for each year for each factory;

(*b*) the area under salt cultivation during these ten years, giving the figure for each year separately; and

(*c*) the expenditure under salaries and contingencies for the salt factories during each year for that period?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) (*b*) and (*c*) Statements* giving the required information are placed on the table.

MR. A. HOOGEWERF (*Nominated*): Is it not the aim of Government to make Travancore self-contained in its supply of salt?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): That is the ideal.

MR A. HOOGEWERF (*Nominated*): Do the Government see from the statements placed before this House that in ten years' time the supply of salt from the South Travancore Factories has not improved?

* *Vide* appendix II—pages 46 and 47.

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PRESIDENT: You go into a question of policy. Such a question cannot be allowed.

MR. A. HOOGEWERF (*Nominated*): I am only speaking of facts and figures

PRESIDENT: Facts have been given to you.

MR. A. HOOGEWERF (*Nominated*): May I know why there has been no improvement in the supply of salt for the last ten years from the salt factories?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): Every effort is being made to improve and extend the supply of salt.

MR. A. HOOGEWERF (*Nominated*): Do the Government see from the statement that in 1089 the Tamaracolam old *Allom* supplied twice the quantity of salt now being supplied by that factory?

PRESIDENT: I must say that that question does not arise. It is again a question of policy, which should be brought forward in the form of a resolution.

MR. A. HOOGEWERF (*Nominated*): I am not asking a question of policy.

PRESIDENT: You cannot ask questions regarding opinions. There are the figures in the statement from which you can draw your own inferences.

MR. A HOOGEWERF (*Nominated*): Do the Government realise that, in case the Interportal Convention is revised, the duty on salt may have to be paid by the State?

PRESIDENT: That does not arise out of this question.

Appendix I.

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 16.**

Castewar statement of permanent and temporary appointments made by the Director of Registration during 1097 and 1098.

Caste of the person appointed.	Appointments made in 1097.		Appointments made in 1098.	
	Permanent.	Temporary.	Permanent.	Temporary.
Nayar ...	...	59	6	80
Brahmin ...	1	7	3	7
Christian ...	...	10	4	18
Ezhava ...	...	11	1	10
Mahomedan ...	...	1	...	1
Others ...	...	8	...	8

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Appendix II.

***Vide* answer to Question No. 24.**

A. Statement showing the quantity of salt manufactured in South Travancore factories during the last ten years (1089-1098.)

Name of factory.	1089	1090	1091	1092	1093	1094	1095	1096	1097	1098
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Tamaracolam old *allom*	1,01,192	85,010	1,04,865	99,431	78,853	84,310	52,608	76,440	34,720	66,522
Dr. Sankaramurti Pillai's *allom*	..	..	302	1,890	2,456	3,253	1,643	6,238	4,320	5,787
Swaminatha Pillai's factory	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	765
Do. *Puthallom*	1,30,113	99,327	1,00,192	1,14,602	75,452	1,23,424	75,025	62,467	53,452	48,320
Extension factory No. I	1,71,458	1,11,844	1,07,228	1,78,352	1,44,771	1,02,194	1,34,190	1,54,102	1,31,538	1,09,457
Do. No. II	..	..	83,575	99,432	81,966	81,808	45,834	79,016	59,934	60,812
S. M. G. N. *allom*	..	..	..	3,100	18,202	88,389	55,058	1,18,599	86,387½	1,22,401
S. M. K. M. *allom*	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10,225	25,875	52,208
Srisankara *allom*	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4,000	16,200	66,164
Colachel ,,	36,966	8,364	11,865	15,448	16,556	27,113	3,439	..	40½	2,086½
Rajakkamangalam ,,	95,400	82,925	68,206	81,285	63,130	88,897	15,738	1,093	11,676	28,466
Srichitra Pon factory	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	..
Tattarippu Odai	1,052	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Variyur *allom*	3,340	1,935	670	3	55	..	..	..	..	1,470
Kumari *allom*	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	5,39,521	3,89,405	4,76,903	5,93,543	4,81,441	6,49,388	3,83,535	5,12,180	4,24,155¼	5,64,458½

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B. Statement showing the area under salt cultivation during the last ten years (1089-1098.)

1089	1090	1091	1092	1093	1094	1095	1096	1097	1098
Acres	Acres	Acres	Acres	Acres	Acres	Acres	Acres	Acres	Acres
950·19	950·19	914·73	1,054·33	1,054·33	1,138·86	1,173·18	1,173·18	1,198·03	1,211·27

C. Statement showing the expenditure under salaries and contingencies for the Salt factories during the past ten years (1089-1098).

Year	Salaries			Contingencies			Total		
	Rs.	ch.	c.	Rs.	ch.	c.	Rs.	ch.	c.
1089	20,027	27	2	9,654	3	6	29,682	2	8
1090	21,432	16	5	1,692	19	10	23,125	7	15
1091	20,295	23	2	1,695	15	7	21,991	10	9
1092	21,556	14	11	2,206	26	3	23,763	12	14
1093	22,927	23	6	1,822	25	4	24,750	20	10
1094	23,572	13	9	2,338	24	11	25,911	10	4
1095	24,071	3	11	1,738	26	8	25,810	2	3
1096	34,587	1	13	3,667	25	2	38,254	26	15
1097	36,466	2	5	4,759	14	14	41,225	17	3
1098	42,980	17	3	4,556	12	..	47,537	1	3